

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

e Application of: L. BARANOVA et al.

Application No.: 09/076,956

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For: PROCESS FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF

NUCLEIC ACIDS ON A SOLID

SUPPORT AND COMPOUNDS WHICH ARE USEFUL IN PARTICULAR AS SOLID SUPPORTS IN THE SAID

PROCESS

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Sir:

It is respectfully requested that the time for response to the Final Office Action dated August 23, 1999, be extended for a period of one month from November 23, 1999, to and including December 23, 1999.

The fee for this extension is estimated to be \$110.00. Please charge the required fee to Pennie & Edmonds LLP Deposit Account No. 16-1150. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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